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REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

MS: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated July 28, 2008, Applicant hereby elects species 7) the embodiment shown in Figures 21-30, on which claims 1-3, 9-11, 13-15, 18-22, and 24 read, without traverse. Applicant notes that claims 1-3 are generic to Species 1) - 9).

Applicant believes this reply is fully responsive to all outstanding issues and places this application in condition for allowance. If this belief is incorrect, or other issues arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned or his associates at the telephone number listed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account 50-0591, Reference 12088/039001.

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